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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Petroleum Products - Liquefied Petroleum Gas – Supply of LPG Cylinders to the LPG customers – Clarification on Additional transport charges for delivery of LPG refills beyond Free Delivery Zone (FDZ-Operational area) – Orders – Issued.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (CS-I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.15 Dated.17.04.2023.
Read the following:

1. G.O.Rt.No.81, CA, F &CS Dept., dated 22.10.2018.
2. G.O.Rt.No.12, CA, F &CS Dept., dated 18.02.2019.
3. Email received from State Level Coordinator for Oil Industry in AP.
4. From the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, A.P., Vijayawada, e-file No. 1991453.

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O R D E R:

In the reference 1st read above, the Government, have issued orders revising the transport charges for supply of LPG refills beyond operational area of the distributors as indicated below:

Sl.No.	Distance from Authorized godown where LPG cylinders are stored for delivery	Delivery charges per Cylinder
1.	Upto 5 KMs	Nil
2.	From 5 KMs to 15 KMs	Rs.20/- per cylinder
3.	From 15 KMs and above	Rs.30/- per cylinder

2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Government have partially modified the orders issued in the reference 1st read above as indicated below:

Item	For	Read as
Heading at Column (2)	Distance from Authorized godown where LPG cylinders are stored for delivery	Distance from the Authorized/ approved office premises.

3. In the reference 4th read above, the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, A.P., Vijayawada has stated that, in order to have clear definition on Free Delivery Zone (FDZ) (Operational Area) and thereby not to give any scope for confusion /misunderstanding about payment of transport charges during delivery of LPG refill to the LPG customer, the State Level Coordinator for Oil Industry in Andhra Pradesh, has been requested to share the Unified Guidelines for Selection of LPG Distributors, which reads as follows with regard to area of operation of the LPG Distributor :

1. Sheheri Vitrak: LPG Distributorships located in "Urban Area(U)" will service the LPG Customers located within the Municipal Limits of the Metro City/City/Town.

2. Rurban Vitrak: LPG Distributor located in Urban Area and also providing service to the LPG customers in specified Rural Area, generally covering all villages falling within 15 KM from the Municipal limits of the LPG distributorship location and or the area specified by the respective OMC.
3. Gramin Vitrak: LPG Distributorship located in Rural Area and also providing service to the LPG customers of the specified Rural Area, generally, covering all villages falling within 15 KM from the boundary limits of the LPG Distributorship location and or the area specified by the respective OMC.
4. Durgam Kshetriya Vitrak (DKV): LPG Distributorships in difficult and Special Areas (like Hilly regions, Forests area, Tribal inhabited area, sparsely populated, disturbed area, islands, Left Wing Extremism(LWE) will be set up where setting up of Gramin, Rurban Vitrak are not feasible. They provide service to the LPG Customers situated in such DKV areas as specified by the respective OMC.

As per the Unified Guidelines, for Sheheri Vitrak, Rurban Vitrak, Gramin Vitrak, Durgam Kshetriya Vitrak, the selected candidates has to develop adequate delivery infrastructure for Home Delivery of LPG Cylinders to the customers as specified by the OMCS in the LoI.

4. The Commissioner of Civil Supplies, A.P., Vijayawada has requested the Government, to issue appropriate orders duly clarifying the area of operation under the above mentioned (4) types of LPG Distributorships and the rates of transport charges for delivery of LPG refills to the customers fixed which are mentioned at para 3rd read above which are applicable only beyond the area of operation of the LPG Distributor.

5. In the view of the above circumstances stated by the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, A.P., Vijayawada and after careful examination of the matter, Government hereby clarify that the rates of transport charges for delivery of LPG refills to the customers, as detailed below:

Sl. No.	Operational area		Delivery charges per Cylinder
1	Urban area	Within the Municipal Limits of the Metro City/City/Town	Nil
2	RURBAN	All villages falling within 15 KM from the municipal limits of the LPG distributorship location and or the area specified by the respective OMC	Nil
3	Rural area	All villages falling within 15 KM from the boundary limits of the LPG Distributorship location and or the area specified by the respective OMC	Nil
4	Durgam Kshetriya Vitrak (DKV) LPG Distributor:	Difficult and Special Areas (like Hilly regions, Forests area, Tribal inhabited area, sparsely populated, disturbed area, islands, Left Wing Extremism (LWE) and areas as specified by the respective OMC	Nil

6. Government also orders that, the LPG distributors are permitted to collect delivery charges from the LPG consumers only in case of LPG refill delivery is made at the distance beyond the operational area i.e. 15 KMs and above.

7. The Collector (CS) shall ensure that the LPG delivery charges are not collected by the Distributing Agencies within the operational areas i.e. within 15 KMs and allow delivery charges only for the villages which are beyond the operational areas after getting confirmation of distance travelled for supply of LPG cylinder. List of villages which fall beyond the operational area (beyond 15 KMs), Distributing Agency wise is to be made available with respective collectors (CS) for wider dissemination .

8. The Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada shall take necessary action in the matter.

9. A copy of this order is available at apegazette.cgg.gov.in

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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EX-OFFICIO SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Commissioner of Civil Supplies, A.P., Vijayawada.
All the District Collectors (CS) in the State.
Copy to:
The State Level Coordinator for Oil Industry in AP, Vijayawada.
The State Heads of PSU OMCs (HPCL, IOCL, BPCL)
The Commissioner, Printing & Stationary, A.P., Vijayawada
(He is requested to publish the same in the Gazette.)
All District Civil Supply Officers.
SF/SC (C No.1994767)

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SECTION OFFICER